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Applicant(s) : RUEGER et al.  
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Examiner : Thomas M. Dougherty  
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Respectfully submitted,

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SIR:

In response to the Final Office Action dated  
July 25, 2002, please reconsider the present application in  
view of the remarks below.

REMARKS

Claims 1 to 17 and 19 to 38 are pending in the  
present application. In view of the following remarks, it is  
respectfully submitted that all of the presently pending  
claims are allowable, and reconsideration is respectfully  
requested.

I. REJECTIONS OF CLAIMS 1 TO 18 AND 19 TO 38  
UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112, SECOND PARAGRAPH

Claims 1 to 18 and 19 to 38 were rejected under 35  
U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as indefinite for allegedly